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The Security Council,

Recalling its resolution 1970 (2011) and all its subsequent resolutions on Libya,

Reaffirming its strong commitment to the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity and national unity of Libya,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) (S/2016/1011),

Expressing its strong support for the ongoing efforts of UNSMIL and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) to facilitate a Libyan-led political solution to the challenges facing Libya,

Recalling resolution 2259 (2015) which endorses the Rome Communiqué of 13 December 2015 to support the Government of National Accord (GNA) as the sole legitimate government of Libya, and welcoming the arrival in Tripoli on 30 March 2016 of members of the Presidency Council of the GNA, led by Prime Minister Fayez Sarraj,

Reiterating its support for the full implementation of the Libyan Political Agreement (LPA) of Skhirat, Morocco signed on 17 December 2015 to form a GNA consisting of the Presidency Council and Cabinet supported by the other institutions of state including the House of Representatives and State Council,

Welcoming the endorsement in principle of the LPA by the House of Representatives on 25 January 2016 and the meeting of the Libyan Political Dialogue on 10 March 2016 which reaffirmed its commitment to uphold the LPA, and *further welcoming* the statement by the Members of the Libyan Political Dialogue following their meeting in Malta on 11 November 2016,

Emphasising the importance of continued inclusiveness, *strongly encouraging* the GNA to engage with all parties in support of reconciliation and to enhance political outreach throughout Libya, and *urging* all parties and institutions in Libya to engage constructively with the LPA in good faith and with sustained political will,

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Urging the full, equal and effective participation of women in all activities relating to the democratic transition, conflict resolution and peacebuilding, and *calling on* the Libyan authorities to prevent and respond to sexual violence in conflict, including addressing impunity for sexual violence crimes in line with relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 1325 (2000), 2106 (2013), 2122 (2013) and 2242 (2015),

Fully supporting the Vienna Communiqué of 16 May 2016 which urged all parties to work constructively towards the completion of the transitional institutional framework and welcomed the creation of the Presidential Guard by the Presidency Council, *encouraging* further progress towards establishing the Presidential Guard, and *stressing* that ensuring security and defending Libya from terrorism must be the task of unified and strengthened national security forces under the sole authority of the GNA in accordance with the LPA,

Further recalling resolution 2259 (2015) which called on Member States to cease support to and official contact with parallel institutions claiming to be the legitimate authority, but which were outside the LPA, as specified by the Agreement,

Encouraging the GNA to finalize interim security arrangements for stabilizing Libya as a critical step towards tackling Libya's political, security, humanitarian, economic and institutional challenges and *recognising* the need for the GNA to plan for disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration of armed groups in that regard, and *encouraging* the GNA to lead stabilization efforts in affected cities including in Sirte and Benghazi to combat the threat of terrorism,

Expressing grave concern at the deteriorating humanitarian situation in Libya,

Welcoming the Joint Communiqué on Libya of 22 September 2016 by Algeria, Canada, Chad, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Jordan, Italy, Malta, Morocco, Niger, Qatar, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sudan, Tunisia, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, the United States, the European Union, the United Nations, the League of Arab States, and the African Union,

Taking note of the Joint Communiqué of 25 October 2016 following the trilateral meeting of the League of Arab States, the African Union, and the United Nations at the headquarters of the League of Arab States on 25 October 2016 to discuss the situation in Libya and the means to further cooperation between the three organizations in order to advance the political process and assist Libya in its democratic transition,

Taking note of the London and Rome meetings on the economy on 31 October/1 November and 17 November 2016 and *welcoming* the commitment of the representatives of the Presidency Council, the Government of National Accord, the Central Bank of Libya, the Audit Bureau and the National Oil Corporation to alleviate urgently the suffering of the Libyan people by increasing oil production, improving cash flow and speeding up the delivery of public services,

Reiterating its request that all Member States fully support the efforts of the SRSG and work with the Libyan authorities and UNSMIL to develop a coordinated package of support to build the capacity of the GNA, in line with Libyan priorities and in response to requests for assistance, and *further reiterating* its call upon all parties to cooperate fully with the activities of UNSMIL, including taking necessary

steps to ensure the security and unhindered movement for the United Nations and associated personnel,

Encouraging UNSMIL to continue to prioritize its tasks and mediation efforts in full consultation with the Presidency Council and other Libyan institutions and in response to its needs and the evolving situation in the country,

Recalling its determination in resolution 2213 (2015) that the situation in Libya continues to constitute a threat to international peace and security,

1. *Decides* to extend until 15 September 2017 the mandate of UNSMIL, under the leadership of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, as an integrated special political mission, in full accordance with the principles of national ownership to exercise mediation and good offices to support:

(i) implementation of the Libyan Political Agreement;

(ii) consolidation of the governance, security and economic arrangements of the Government of National Accord; and

(iii) subsequent phases of the Libyan transition process;

2. *Further decides* that UNSMIL, within operational and security constraints, should undertake the following tasks:

(i) support to key Libyan institutions;

(ii) support, on request, for the provision of essential services, and delivery of humanitarian assistance and in accordance with humanitarian principles;

(iii) human rights monitoring and reporting;

(iv) support for securing uncontrolled arms and related materiel and countering their proliferation; and

(v) co-ordination of international assistance, and provision of advice and assistance to GNA-led efforts to stabilise post-conflict zones, including those liberated from Da'esh;

3. *Recognizes* that since 30 March 2016 UNSMIL has facilitated a consistent presence in Libya to support the Presidency Council and Temporary Security Committee and *encourages* UNSMIL to continue working towards re-establishing a permanent presence in Libya through a phased return, as security conditions allow and to make the necessary security arrangements to this effect;

4. *Looks forward* to the outcome of Secretary-General's Strategic Assessment Review in early 2017 and *stands ready to* review the mandate of the Mission as a result if needed;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to report to the Security Council on the implementation of this resolution at least every 60 days;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report as necessary following consultations with the Libyan authorities on recommendations for UNSMIL's support to the subsequent phases of the Libyan transition process and UNSMIL's security arrangements;

7. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.